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CC:OD - Mr. E. W. Debevoise

May 21, 1952

CC:PH - Mr. Edgar H. Gerlach

Appointment of Maj. William R. Caldwell

I am transmitting herewith for your signature an Office Memorandum announcing the appointment of Major William R. Caldwell as replacement for Major Rice in Berlin.

Mr. Hagan and I talked with Major Caldwell in Frankfurt on May 15, 1952 and both of us were quite favorably impressed with him. He was sent to Berlin and was interviewed by Major General L. Mathewson, U.S. Commander, Berlin and Mr. W. W. Kirkpatrick. I was later advised by Mr. Kirkpatrick that Major Caldwell is acceptable to the General as a replacement for Major Rice.

Major Caldwell will be in Muelheim Thursday afternoon, May 22, 1952 and will leave that night for Munich. The schedule calls for him to spend Friday with Mr. Moskovitz in Munich, Saturday at Landsberg and Monday with Mr. Gernert in Stuttgart. He will return to Berlin on Tuesday afternoon, May 27.

The date in the order, June 28, 1952, was established after telephone conversation with Col. Stump and Major Rice.

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UNNECESSARILY, BUT WAS BASICALLY RIGHT THAT KING TOO DEEPLY INVOLVED IN POLITICS.

B. GUARDIAN (LIBERAL) NOTES ONE THING WORSE THAN MILITARY COUP IS CIVIL WAR. CAN BE SOME SATISFACTION THAT LESSER EVIL CAME ABOUT, FOR BEHAVIOR OF GREEK POLITICIANS, INCLUDING KING, MADE ONE IF NOT BOTH INEVITABLE. KING MISTAKEN TO ALLOW KANELLOPOLOUS GOV'T SOLE CONTROL OF ELECTIONS. EVEN MORE UNWISE TO ALLOW DEVELOPMENT OF STATE OF FEUD BETWEEN HIMSELF AND PAPANDREOU AND TO CONDUCT HIMSELF AS PAPANDREOU'S POLITICAL OPPONENT. KING ALL ALONG MISCALCULATED PAPANDREOU'S SUPPORT WHICH CERTAINLY FAR GREATER THAN ANY OTHER POLITICIAN'S AND ALMOST GREATER THAN KING'S "SIMPLE RETURN TO CIVILIAN RULE NOW NO ANSWER TO PROBLEM UNLESS POWERS OF KING MORE CLOSELY DEFINED AND ASPIDA PLOT CONSIGNED BY AMNESTY TO DUSTBIN OF POLITICAL EXCESSES."

C. DAILY TELEGRAPH (CONSERVATIVE) SEES LITTLE HOPE THAT COUP WILL RESOLVE GREEK DISSENSIONS. ONLY JUSTIFICATION FOR COUP WOULD HAVE BEEN REASONABLE PROOF COMMUNISTS HAD INFILTRATED PAPANDREOU'S PARTY AND WITH SUPPORT OF ARMED ADHERENTS PLANNED TO USE HIS ELECTION VICTORY TO SEIZE POWER. BUT THE PAPANDREOUS NEITHER

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COMMUNISTS NOR FOOLS. UNLESS KING CAN JUSTIFY NEED FOR COUP OR ESCAPE RESPONSIBILITY FOR IT, GREEK MONARCHY HAS SUFFERED SERIOUS BLOW. BRUCE

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